

Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2022

Meeting called to order: 7:04 PM via Zoom videoconference

Members Present: John Zazworsky (P), Justin Pittman (VP), Jeb Betar (T), Daryll Kuhn (S), Keith Tyler, Gary Leone, Johnathan Daniels, Garrett Kieffer, George Reilly, Neil Sunday

Members Absent: Tom Baltz, Bob Lipscomb, Dan Zazworsky, Ben Richwine, Eric Naguski

Officers Reports:

President, John Zazworsky:

- 1. February Board Meeting Minutes.** Submitted by email on March 7, 2022 (Tyler/Reilly)
- 2. February Treasurer's Report.** Submitted by email on March 7, 2022 (Sunday/Tyler)
- 3. Letort Action Plan** - Zazworsky sent draft to board members & members of Coldwater Conservation Plan committee members; provide feedback by March 19; revised draft will then go to stakeholders in Letort restoration for further discussion.
- 4. Keystone Coldwater Conference** – Daniels & Zazworsky attended, Tyler unable to attend. Meeting report will be included in Tight Lines March-May edition. Great educational & networking opportunity: better understanding of available grants; potential future speakers for membership meetings. J. Zazworsky recommends to send more people to the next conference which is in 2 years.
- 5. Letort Regional Authority Visit of CVTU Properties** – Zazworsky met with Andy Parker, LRA Chairman. LRA has conservation easement on all properties along the Letort, but has never inspected these easements. LRA intends to visit all properties this year; no specific date for CVTU properties. He is familiar with CVTU properties and doesn't expect any issues.
- 6. Yellow Breeches Stream Restoration** - First half of planned stream work ended on March 1 to comply with permit. Final public site visit/tour is scheduled for March 17 at 1 pm, meeting at the Run parking lot. Second half of stream work (starting at dam and moving downstream) will resume in July/August, depending on stream conditions. Expect biweekly public tours again when work resumes.
- 7. Brandtsville Dam Removal** - Cumberland Co. Conservation District (CCCD, Lori Glace) has the lead on this. She is waiting for feedback from PAFBC on how to proceed. Leone mentioned that Andrew was okay with the second dam to be removed as well. J. Zazworsky will check with Glace.

8. Fly Tying Class Update (Daniels) – Next Tuesday is the last session for this year. 20 signed up for the beginner class; well supported by CVTU volunteers and another gentleman; 12 signed up for the advanced class with 10 regularly attending. Had Zoom capability during the sessions for folks that couldn't attend.

Vice President, Justin Pittman: No Additional report

Secretary, Daryll Kuhn: No additional report

Treasurer, Jeb Betar: Our fiscal year ends March 31st so he'll be sending out a request for volunteer hours to report.

Committee Reports:

9. Stream Access and Conservation Committee, Neil Sunday: He'll be compiling dates for the FITS crew on the upper Letort within the next few weeks.

- **FITS (Sunday)** –
- **Barnitz Project Update** – John Leonard volunteered and prepared the Coldwater Heritage Partnership grant application; it was submitted before the March 4 deadline. If approved, these funds would likely not be available for the project until 2023. CCCD is researching possibilities for other funding for doing the project this year, since this project is closely related to the Stuart Park project just downstream of Barnitz Church.

10. Information and Education Committee, Keith Tyler: No additional report

- **Trout in the Classroom Update (Daniels)** – eggs have been sent out to the schools and the responses have been good, good survival rate despite the delivery delay

11. Activities Committee, Dan Zazworsky:

- Limestoner Committee planning update (Leone) – Event is on March 19. Planning on 10 bucket raffle items and 10 silent auction items; asking \$75 value items to be donated for the auction by each Board Member; about ½ the board has responded thus far and email Leone with item or that no item is being donated so he can track it
- On line auction update (Kieffer) – Will tentatively start on March 27 and last for two weeks. Items are trickling in and is looking better; still looking for some guiding trips

2022 Activities Calendar (remaining events)

- April 16 or 23: Clarks Creek Trip; Coordinator: John Zazworsky
- May 7/8 or 14/15 Pine Creek Trip; Coordinator: ???
- June 4: East Licking Creek Trip; Coordinator: Ken Okorn

- June 19-24: Rivers Conservation & Fly Fishing Youth Camp; Coordinator: RCFFYC Board
- August 20: Family Picnic; Coordinator: Betar
- September 10: Last Supper; Coordinator: ???
- September 17: possible Spring Creek date; Coordinator: ???
- October 15: possible Spring Creek date; Coordinator: ???

Tentative Events (need more information):

- Streets to Streams – Pittman coordinating and probably 1st week of June; more to follow
- Reel Recovery – June 13-15, there is a local coordinator and CVTU's part is to help provide 10-12 ghillies; looking for volunteers
- PAFF Museum Events – Heritage Day is still being worked/decided – usually in June timeframe but they looking to find a venue for their fall fundraiser
- Project Healing Waters no longer working with TU

- Betar will look at the paperwork for volunteers regarding youth security checks for helping out with youth events. He'll notify those that need renewals to stay compliant.

12. Membership Meetings (Kieffer)

- March 2022 – Bill Anderson – Little J
- April 2022 - Evan Brant from Sidling Hill Hackle
- May 2022 – Ben John – Steelhead Fishing
- June 2022 – Stream side at Rivers Camp
- July 2022 – Usually do not have membership meeting
- August 2022 – Family Picnic at Carlisle Fish and Game

General membership meetings from February thru May will be held at the Bosler Library (158 W High St) in Carlisle.

13. Membership Committee, Mary Shughart:

- Membership – Current membership stands at 611 (597 adult, 14 youth), a decrease of 3 over last month.

Old Business:

YBAC Open House event on March 19 – we have 3 or so folks signed up to man the table; good idea to get a poster board or two on display; Betar will bring some of the fly tying books, some Limestoner 50/50 tickets, gift certificate raffle and some other CVTU merchandise; Daniels suggested also might be good to have something regarding the online auction link

New Business:

Daniels has been working with Bosler on a possible summer program on an Intro to Fly Fishing on June 18th from 10am to noon. Looking for volunteers to help. After the program concludes, there might be an optional walk down to the Letort for a demonstration

CVTU Board Meetings – April meeting will be in person with the hybrid Zoom option at Kim’s Café in Carlisle

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday April 13, 2022 in person and via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:14 PM

Submitted: Daryll Kuhn, 3/16/2022